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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of ) Examiner: Brian S. Szmal Burbank et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3736

For: ELECTROSURGICAL BIOPSY DEVICE

AND METHOD

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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed on August 3, 2006 and pursuant to the Request for Continued Examination concurrently filed, please amend the above-identified application as follows